

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

A method of managing defects considering compatibility with a rewritable disc, a reproducing and/or recording apparatus implementing the same, a write-once recording medium therefore, and a medium including computer readable code controlling the implementation of defect management. The method includes providing a plurality of temporary defect management areas on the write-once recording medium; performing defect management using the plurality of temporary defect management areas; and when one among the plurality of temporary defect management areas is exhausted, writing full flag information indicating that the one temporary defect management area is exhausted to at least one among remaining temporary defect management areas. Accordingly, defect management can be efficiently performed.